

What is claimed is:

1. An overflow fitting for a bathtub which has a bottom and adjacent side and end walls, and an overflow port in an end wall, comprising:
  - 5 an overflow pipe with an inverted L-shape having an elbow portion defining an upper end portion and a lower end portion, the upper end portion having an outer end defining an inlet being adapted to fit through the bathtub overflow port;
  - 10 threads on an outer surface of the upper end portion and surrounding the inlet and normally extending through the bathtub overflow port;
  - a lip extending radially outwardly from an outer surface of the overflow pipe between the elbow portion and the
  - 15 upper end portion and being spaced from the inlet to engage an outer surface of the bathtub end wall around the bathtub overflow port;
  - a thin diaphragm sealed to the outer end of the upper end portion to close the inlet to fluid flow;
  - 20 a nut element compatible with the threads wherein the nut element has a threaded portion for threadably mounting the nut to the upper end portion to clamp the overflow fitting to the end of the bathtub between the lip and the nut element, and at least one lug extending
  - 25 radially from the nut;
  - the overflow port having a flange and a sleeve that extends outwardly from the flange for receiving an inner end of a hollow fitting having an outer end and threads on an outer surface;
  - 30 a sealing ring that fits over the sleeve and the hollow fitting; and

a cap detachably mounted on the fitting to exert sealing pressure on the sealing ring against the radial flange, and to permit access to the diaphragm to be manually cut for fluid flow therethrough when detached from the fitting.

2. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the nut has a threaded center opening threadably mounted on the fitting to exert pressure on the sealing ring against the flange; and the nut having lugs thereon to detachably receive a cap thereupon.

3. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the diaphragm is of plastic material.

4. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the diaphragm is integral with said fitting and is held to the fitting only through having been integrally formed therewith.

5. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the nut element forms a part of the cap means and has threads compatible with the threads on the fitting.

6. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the overflow port has a flange and a sleeve that extends outwardly from the flange for receiving an inner end of a hollow fitting having an outer end and threads on an outer surface; the thin diaphragm sealing the outer end of the fitting; and a sealing ring that fits over the sleeve and the hollow fitting.

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7. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the diaphragm is integral with said fitting and is held to the fitting only through having been integrally formed therewith.

5 8. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the diaphragm is a circular membrane and has a diameter equal to an outer peripheral edge of the fitting, and is connected only to the fitting and only to the outer peripheral edge of the outer end of the fitting.

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9. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the diaphragm is a circular membrane and has a diameter equal to an outer peripheral edge of the fitting, and is connected only to the fitting and only to the outer peripheral edge of the outer  
15 end of the fitting.

10. The assembly of claim 1 whereby the diaphragm is hermetically sealed to the peripheral edge of the fitting.

20 11. The assembly of claim 1 wherein the sealing element has a longitudinal thickness that is less than a longitudinal thickness of the hollow fitting.